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TAGS: UNWFC EAGR YO

SUBJ: THIRD SESSION WORLD FOOD COUNCIL (WFC)

REF: ROME 7061 AND STATE 94832

1. AGATT WAS ASKED BY VLADIMIR DAMJANOVIC, COUNSELOR OF FEC TO MEET WITH DR. MILAN TRKULJA ON THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED PREPARATORY MEETING FOR THE WFC THIRD SESSION IN ROME. TRKULJA GAVE BRIEF REVIEW OF ROME MEETING. HE INDICATED THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE GROUP OF 77 OBJECTED TO HAVING HUNGER AND MALNUTRITION BE THE BASIC THEME OF THE THIRD SESSION. YUGOSLAVIA PUSHED FOR THIS THEME AND EVENTUALLY THE GROUP OF 77 AGREED. THERE WAS AGREEMENT IN ROME ON FOOD SECURITY; THERE WOULD BE AGREEMENT ON NUTRITION; AND HE FELT IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO MOVE AHEAD ON TRADE IN THIS FORUM.

2. TRKULJA BELIEVES THAT IT IS IMPORTANT FOR A SHORT CONCISE TEXT BE PREPARED FOR MINISTERIAL CONSIDERATION AT THE MANILA MEETING.

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ONE MAJOR PROBLEM AREA REMAINS--INCREASING FOOD PRODUCTION IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND THE AMOUNT OF OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT AID (ODA) TO BE PROVIDED. THE PROBLEM IS ESPECIALLY ACUTE SINCE VERY LITTLE TIME IS LEFT PRIOR TO MANILA MEETING. HE FEELS THE THIRD SESSION WILL BE A FAILURE WITHOUT ADDITIONAL MEETINGS ON THE DRAFT.

3. TRKULJA STATED HE RECOGNIZES THAT LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

PREVENT THE U.S. FROM MAKING A DEFINITIVE STATEMENT ON THE QUALITY OF ODA OR ON TIME FRAME OF AID. HE SUGGESTS THAT U.S. PREPARE A GENERAL

STATEMENT WITHOUT QUANTITIES OR TIME FRAMES GIVING ITS SUPPORT TO THE DEVELOPMENT FUNDS IN GENERAL AND ODA IN PARTICULAR.

4. TRKULJA OFFERED TO MEET INFORMALLY WITH U.S. REPRESENTATIVES AT ANY TIME TO WORK ON TEXT. HE SUGGESTED ROME OR BELGRADE AS POSSIBLE MEETING PLACES BUT INDICATED THAT ROME PROBABLY WOULD BE BETTER. TRKULJA INDICATED THAT THERE ARE THREE DRAFT TEXTS THAT COULD BE USED FOR WORKING PURPOSES. THE RAPPOREUR'S PRELIMINARY DRAFT

WHICH HE TERMED CONFUSING, EMPTY AND NEEDING TO REFER TO FOOD AID, FOOD SECURITY AND TRADE. THIS DRAFT WOULD REQUIRE CONSIDERABLE AMENDING AND REFINING; THE PROPOSAL OF THE SECRETARIAT WHICH HE CALLED BETTER THAN RAPPOREUR'S PRELIMINARY DRAFT; FINALLY, THE YUGOSLAV TEXT WHICH WAS AGREED TO BY THE GROUP OF 77.

5. SOME OF THESE POINTS REPORTEDLY WERE DISCUSSED WITH JOHN FERCH, HEAD OF THE U.S. DELEGATION IN ROME.

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